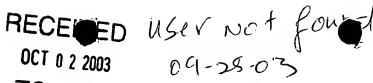


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Dear Sir:

This submission corrects formalities of the pending claims.

The application is now believed to be in condition for allowance and reconsideration in light of the following is respectfully requested.